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Copies of the listed foreign and non-patent literature documents are attached.  
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Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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1. **WO 91/12793** - It is believed that U.S. Patent No. 5,925,337 is an English language counterpart of this disclosure.
2. **DE 197 51 221 A1** - An abstract of the disclosure of this document can be found in the English language Derwent Abstract, submitted herewith.
3. **EP 0 998 905 B1** - It is believed that U.S. Patent No. 6,464,967 is an English language counterpart of this disclosure.
4. **EP 0 987 002** - It is believed that U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/127257 A1 is an English language counterpart of this disclosure.
5. **EP 1 080 713 A2** - An abstract of the disclosure of this document can be found in the English language Derwent Abstract, submitted herewith.

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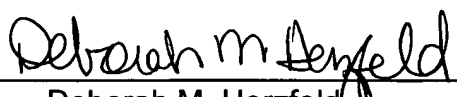
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